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**GOV. EASLEY APPOINTS LOW AND LOUCKS-SORRELL AND REAPPOINTS HODGES  
AND STARLIPER TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COMMISSION**

**RALEIGH** – Gov. Mike Easley has appointed **Jenette Parker Low** of Greenville and **Mary Beth Loucks-Sorrell** of Durham and reappointed **Kathryn Hodges** of Chapel Hill and **Rita Starliper** of Greensboro to the N.C. Domestic Violence Commission.

Low is treasurer of the Habitat for Humanity of Pitt County Board of Directors and previously served on the Pitt County Family Violence Program Board of Directors. She received her bachelor's degree in business administration from Emory University and master's degree in business administration from Vanderbilt University.

Loucks-Sorrell is the executive director of the North Carolina Coalition Against Domestic Violence. She received a 2004 Sunshine Peace Award from the Sunshine Lady Foundation. She is chairman of the N.C. Community Shares Board. Loucks-Sorrell received her bachelor's degree in human services from the UNC-Charlotte.

Hodges is co-executive director of the Family Violence and Rape Crisis Services in Pittsboro. She currently serves on the N.C. Domestic Violence Commission and served on the N.C. Governor's Crime Commission Violence Committee and the N.C. Justice Partnership Program Advisory Board. Hodges received her bachelor's degree in psychology from UNC-Chapel Hill and master's degree in social work from the University of Alabama.

Starliper is a proposal leadership group operations manager with General Dynamics Advanced Information in Crystal City, Va., and the president of Trillian3 in Greensboro. She volunteered as a mentor for Family Abuse Services in Alamance County and co-authored a self-help book about surviving dangerous relationships titled *When the Truth Whispers*. Starliper received her associate's degree in design from Alamance Community College.

The commission evaluates statewide needs related to domestic violence, assures that necessary services, policies, and programs are provided and coordinates and collaborates with the N.C. Council for Women to strengthen existing domestic violence programs. The commission has 39 members, each serving a two-year term. The governor appoints nine members.

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